(e) how many other countries will be benefited by it; and

(f) by when, the Scheme is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) Yes Sir, Benefits of Green Revolution have accrued more to farmers of irrigated areas than the rainfed areas.

(b) to (f) The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) have worked out a scheme entitled "Community Based Programme for Sustainable Farming Systems in Fragile Watersheds". In addition, under the Five Year Regional Programme approved in the Fifth Meeting of the Development Assistance Coordinators held in Manila from 20th to 23rd January, 1992, the UNDP have sent a Regional Project entitled "Farm Centered Agricultural Resources Management". No country-wise allocations have been made under this project. Besides India, the other participating countries are—Indonesia, Phillippines, China, Thailand, Vietnam, Nepal and Srilanka.

Development of Agriculture in Kutch, Gujarat

1091. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that the Gujarat Institute of Development Research has submitted a report captioned "Kutch and its Agriculture" for agricultural development of the desert area of Kutch; and

(b) if so, the main suggestion and observation made thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Newsitem captioned "Seven Lakh Litre Milk down the drain daily"

1092. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "Seven lakh litre milk down the drain daily" which appeared in the Indian Express dated 23rd November, 1993; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The news item refers to the reported draining of milk by Maharashtra Govt. dairies. These dairies are owned and managed by the Maharashtra Govt. Government of India has no direct control over their day to day operations. The State Govt. of Maharashtra has informed that out of seven lakh litres of milk being received by the three dairies of Greater Bombay Milk Scheme, some quantity of milk becomes highly acidic. This is separated to take out fat and the skim milk which is not fit for packaging, distribution or for conversion into skim milk powder, is actually destroyed. Some times the quantity of such milk is about 30 to 35 thousand liters. The State Govt. has further informed that plant, machinery and storage tanks etc. of the three dairies located in Bombay are cleaned and sterilised every day. Wash water which goes to the sea through a common outlet, may appear milky, but is not milk.

Pension to marine fishermen

1093. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:
SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state: